

the Huerta administration in Mexico City with an accompaniment of bloodshed through an uprising against the dictator, circulated, but no official confirmation is obtainable.

The wave of criticism that followed the open espousal of the constitutionalist cause has made Sec'y Bryan resolve that no further news shall leak out that may embarrass the American commissioners to the Niagara Falls mediation conference, and the lid has been clapped on all officials who in the past have dispensed news.

New York, May 23.—"The only place Carranza or his representatives will meet Huerta or the dictator's men is on the battlefield."

This was the reply made by Jose Vasconcelos, chief of the constitutionalist junta here when asked regarding a report that the leader had named him as a mediator to attend the Niagara Falls peace conference.

Juarez, Mex.—Telegram from Gen. Carranza reported defeat of federal force in battle with constitutionalists at Carvovado in the state of San Luis Potosi, May 19.

Saltillo, Coahuila, Mex.—Constitutionalist troops occupy every part of Saltillo today. The capture of Saltillo was accomplished without real resistance. It is supposed that after the defeat to reinforcements coming from Moncolva, and to the federal outpost at Flora last Sunday, the federal commander decided he better evacuate.

#### MINISTERS CRITICIZED

The Presbyterian ministers who issued their report as to the causes of vice and gave a clean bill of health to big employers who pay starvation wages have come in for a great deal of criticism.

The Presbyterian report claimed that there were 100,000 white slaves in the United States. But in summing the reasons for becoming white slaves the ministers cited the following: The present style in woman's

clothes; the trend of present-day literature; the character of modern dancing, and the growing demand for more intimate knowledge of the sex question.

An official of the Department of Justice in Washington was the first to riddle the Presbyterian report. The officials say there are far more than 100,000 slaves and that in 99 per cent of the cases investigated by the federal agents the girls' downfalls were attributable to two causes—poverty and the desire of persons to prey upon girls for financial gain.

#### LINDSEY GIVES UP ATTEMPT TO SEE ROCKEFELLERS

New York, May 23.—Abandonment of an further attempt to see the Rockefellers in regard to the Colorado mine strike was announced by Juvenile Judge Ben B. Lindsey of Denver today at his hotel.

Judge Lindsey accompanied by his wife and the families of several of the Colorado strikers, came here from a conference with President Wilson in Washington, prepared to lay before John D. Rockefeller, Jr., what he declared to be the "true state of affairs" in Colorado. A telegraphed announcement in Washington, however, warned him that none of the Rockefellers would see him.

Denver, Col., May 23.—Efforts to settle the Colorado coal strike will be begun this afternoon by the legislative investigating committee, appointed by the recent special session of the general assembly.

Governor Ammons announced that the committee would first attempt a settlement before commencing its inquiry. It has not been decided whether to confer with strikers or operators first.

The percentage of marriages among women leaders of university activity is figured at 50 in a biographical history of the presidents of the Associated Women Students of the University of California.